

Memorandum

TO: RULES COMMITTEE

FROM: Les White

**SUBJECT: SUNSHINE REFORMS
MOTION CLARIFICATION**

DATE: 03-28-06

Staff is requesting clarification on the motion approved by the City Council at its March 21, 2006 meeting on item 3.4, Sunshine Reforms.

The motion contained two parts. The first part focused on the memorandum signed by councilmembers Chavez, LeZotte, Chirco, and Pyle and directed staff to bring back a work plan for implementation of the 22 proposals during the budget process. The second part of the motion directed staff to come back with a proposal for a public process such as a task force, working group, or subcommittee of the Council to consider the 22 proposals contained in the same memorandum, as well as any other proposals this group might wish to consider.

Because the inclusion of an implementation work plan in the budget process would be completed prior to review through the public process identified in the second part of the motion, these two directions are mutually incompatible. Staff seeks clarification to proceed.

The Administration would recommend that Council direct staff to identify proposals that it believes can be easily implemented and bring these back as a part of budget considerations, while allowing the public process to take a more comprehensive review of all of the proposals. While this would delay full implementation of the proposals, it would allow for a more robust discussion in the public engagement process.

Alternatively, Council could direct staff to refer all of the proposals to the public engagement process identified in the second part of the motion.


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